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SUBJECT: KUWAITI VISITORS

1. OVER PAST FOUR DAYS KUWAIT HAS ENJOYED EVEN LARGER THAN USUAL NUMBERS OF VISITING FOREIGN DELEGATIONS. SURPRISINGLY, THE KUWAITIS APPEAR TO KEEP THEM ALL STRAIGHT AND EVEN SEND MOST AWAY REASONABLY CONTENT. HIGHLIGHTS OF MOST RECENT SERIES SUMMARIZED IN FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS. EMBASSY WILL FOLLOW UP WITH DETAILS OF SUBSTANTIVE RESULTS WHEN KNOWN.

2. MOST PROMINENT PRESS TREATMENT AFFORDED TO VISIT AUSTRIAN CHANCELLOR KRIESKY MAR 15-16 WITH SIX-MEMBER EUROPEAN SOCIALIST MISSION. DESPITE LATE ARRIVAL AND NEED TO JUGGLE SCHEDULE, VISIT APPEARED TO BE COMPLETE SUCCESS FROM EUROPEAN STANDPOINT. MISSION SPENT SEVERAL HOURS WITH BOTH AMIR AND CROWN PRINCE OUTLINING VIEWS ON MIDDLE EAST. LATTER ARRANGED SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS WITH KHALED AL-HASSAN, MEMBER OF PLO'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, AND LOCAL PLO REPRESENTATIVE, ALI YASSIN, WHO REPORTEDLY OUTLINED IN DETAIL PLO ATTITUDES AND CONCEPT OF ANY FUTURE SOLUTION TO PALESTINIAN

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QUESTION, INCLUDING ROLE THAT COULD BE PLAYED BY SOCIALIST GROUP.

ON DEPARTURE, KREISKY TOLD PRESS AUSTRIA CONTINUES TO RECOGNIZE ISRAEL AS AN INDEPENDENT SOVEREIGN STATE -- AND THE PLO AS SOLE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE.

3. GAMBIA PRESIDENT, WHO LEFT KUWAIT ABOUT TIME OF KREISKY'S ARRIVAL, RECEIVED FULL VIP TREATMENT AND OBTAINED, AT LEAST, AGREEMENT OF AMIR TO VISIT GAMBIA AT SOME UNIDENTIFIED FUTURE TIME. AGREEMENT ALSO APPARENTLY REACHED TO EXCHANGE AMBASSADORS AND TO REVIEW POSSIBILITY OF FUTURE KUWAITI INVESTMENT IN AGRICULTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS IN GAMBIA.

4. ROMANIAN MINISTER OF STATE CONCLUDED WEEK-LONG STAY DESCRIBED BY GOR'S RESIDENT AMBASSADOR AS MAJOR EFFORT TO MAKE VISIT OF ROMANIAN PRESIDENT CAUCESCU AT END OF MONTH MEANINGFUL. IT IS REPORTED MINISTRY OF OIL UNDER SECRETARY ADASSANI WILL LEAVE FOR BUCHAREST LATER THIS WEEK FOR FINAL TALKS LEADING TO POSSIBLE SIGNATURE OF AGREEMENT DURING PRESIDENT'S VISIT FOR JOINT PARTICIPATION IN LARGE PETROCHEMICAL COMPLEX.

5. OTHER VISITORS INCLUDED -- M.O. FEYIDE OF NIGERIA, OPEC SECRETARY GENERAL, TO ATTEND MEETING OF THE OPEC AID FUND; UAE DELEGATION LED BY DIRECTOR OF PRESIDENTIAL DIWAN; AND, GRAND-DAUGHTER OF EMPEROR HIROHITO, WHO SERVES AS DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS CENTER IN TOKYO.  
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